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Amendment

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"AN ACT CONCERNING MINOR CHANGES TO THE INSURANCE STATUTES."

1 After line 131, add the following:

2 "Sec. 7. Subsections (b) and (c) of section 38a-568 of the general
3 statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

4 (b) Not later than ninety days after the commissioner's approval of
5 small employer health care plans submitted by the board, [every] each
6 small employer carrier, including, but not limited to, each health care
7 center, shall, as a condition of transacting such insurance in this state,
8 offer those small employer health care plans that correspond to the
9 insurance products being currently offered by the carrier to small
10 employers. [Every] Each small employer that elects to be covered
11 under such plan and agrees to make the required premium payments
12 and to satisfy the other provisions of the plan shall be issued such a
13 plan by the small employer carrier.

14 (c) No health care center shall be required to offer coverage or

15 accept applications pursuant to subsection (b) of this section in the case
16 of any of the following: (1) To a group, where the group is not
17 physically located in the health care center's approved service area; (2)
18 to an employee, where the employee does not work or reside within
19 the health care center's approved service area; (3) within an area,
20 where the health care center reasonably anticipates, and demonstrates
21 to the satisfaction of the commissioner, that it will not have the
22 capacity within that area in its network of providers to deliver services
23 adequately to the members of such groups because of its obligations to
24 existing group contract holders and enrollees; [or] (4) where the
25 commissioner finds that acceptance of an application or applications
26 would place the health care center in an impaired financial condition;
27 or (5) where the commissioner finds that compliance with subsection
28 (b) or (f) of this section would place the health care center in an
29 impaired financial condition. A health care center that refuses to offer
30 coverage pursuant to subdivision (3) of this subsection may not, for
31 ninety days after such refusal, offer coverage in the applicable area to
32 new cases of employer groups with more than twenty-five eligible
33 employees.

34 Sec. 8. Section 38a-568 of the general statutes is amended by adding
35 subsection (f) as follows:

36 (NEW) (f) Each small employer carrier, including, but not limited to,
37 a health care center, shall offer each health care plan that the carrier
38 makes available to small employers, except association group plans, to
39 all small employers, including, but not limited to, groups containing
40 only one member."